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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated December 19, 1996, the period for response having been extended until June 19, 1997 by a Petition for Three Month Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) An activated alumina catalyst comprising a cocatalytically effective amount of sodium values, said effective amount, expressed by weight of Na₂O, ranging from 1,200 ppm to [2,700] 2,500 ppm.